

**PHYSICAL THERAPY BOARD OF CALIFORNIA****Consumer Protection Services Program**

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January 12, 2006

Citation No. 05-06-0154

Eliza M Zamora PT  
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Loma Linda CA 92354

License No. PT 26379

**CITATION**

Investigation of a complaint submitted revealed actions taken by you which violate sections of the law regulating the practice of physical therapy.

A Citation is hereby issued to you in accordance with Section 125.9 of the Business and Professions Code for the violations described below.

**FIRST CAUSE FOR CITATION**

1. *Section 1399.10 of the Business and Professions Code*

You stated in your interview with Senior Investigator (SI) Kanno that Mr. Torres told you he had Physical Therapist License Applicant (PTLA) status but you never saw any paperwork giving him that status. The Notice of Intent to Supervise a Foreign Educated Physical Therapist shows your signature agreeing to the terms of supervising a PTLA candidate.

**SECOND CAUSE FOR CITATION**

2. *Section 2660 (i)(j)(k)(l) of the Business and Professions Code*

According to the expert consultant's report Mr. Torres performed patient evaluations and treatment plans. Mr. Torres signed the charts as "Roderick Torres, PTLA" and were co-signed by you. You also stated that you allowed Mr. Torres to do evaluations while you were in the room or in the vicinity.

**ORDER**

Further, **you are ordered to pay a fine of \$ 1500** to the Physical Therapy Board of California within 30 days after receipt of this Citation.

If you wish to contest all or any part of this Citation, complete the enclosed "Notice of Appeal -Request for Informal Conference" form and return it to this office within 10 days after receipt of this Citation. The date indicated on the order of abatement will be held in abeyance only for any violation(s) you wish to contest. The time to correct all uncontested violations will be adhered to as specified. In the alternative, you may, within 30 days after receipt of this Citation, request a formal administrative hearing before an administrative law judge under the Administrative Procedure Act.

**FAILURE TO RETURN THE REQUEST FOR INFORMAL CONFERENCE FORM OR TO REQUEST AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING WITHIN THE TIME INDICATED WILL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF YOUR RIGHT TO ADMINISTRATIVELY CONTEST OR APPEAL THIS CITATION.**

Administrative Fine

\$ 1500.00

FOR YOUR PROTECTION AND TO ASSURE PROPER CREDIT,  
PLEASE RETURN THE COPY OF THE CITATION  
AND NOTE THE CITATION NUMBER ON YOUR CHECK  
OR MONEY ORDER.

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Date

Original Signed By:

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STEVEN K. HARTZELL  
Executive Officer

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**ORDER OF ABATEMENT**

January 12, 2006

Citation Against: Eliza M. Zamore

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Item No. 1Violations: California Code of Regulations 1399.10 .

Description: Pursuant to Section 2639 of the code, a physical therapist license applicant whose application for licensure has been filed and reviewed by the board may perform as a physical therapist if he or she is under the direct and immediate supervision of a physical therapist licensed by the board. "Direct and immediate supervision" means a supervisor shall at all times be responsible for and provide adequate supervision of the work performed by the physical therapist license applicant and shall be in close proximity to the location where the physical therapist license applicant is rendering physical therapy treatment. The physical therapist license applicant shall document each treatment in the patient record, along with his or her signature. A supervising physical therapist shall countersign with his or her first initial and last name in the patient's record on the same day as patient related tasks were provided by the physical therapist license applicant. A supervising physical therapist shall document receipt of the letter authorizing physical therapist license applicant status and record the expiration date of such status in the employee record. A supervising physical therapist shall require the applicant to provide documentation of the license issued at the conclusion of the physical therapist license applicant status. If the applicant fails to pass the licensing examination all privileges to work as a physical therapist license applicant shall terminate. Authorizing the physical therapist license applicant to work after the conclusion of physical therapist applicant status constitutes unprofessional conduct.

Item No. 2Violations: Business and Professions Code Section 2600(i)(j)(k)(l)Description:

Description: (i) Conviction of a violation of any of the provisions of this chapter or of the State Medical Practice Act, or violating, or attempting to violate, directly or indirectly, or assisting in or abetting the violating of, or conspiring to violate any provision or term of this chapter or of the State Medical Practice Act.

(j) The aiding or abetting of any person to violate this chapter or any regulations duly adopted under this chapter.

(k) The aiding or abetting of any person to engage in the unlawful practice of physical therapy.

(l) The commission of any fraudulent, dishonest, or corrupt act which is substantially related to the qualifications, function, or duties of a physical therapist.

Order of Correction

You are hereby ordered to abate this violation immediately and to cease and desist from further violation.

Failure to comply with the provisions of this Citation and Order of Abatement within 30 days of receipt may result in further legal action.